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Magali BOU et al.

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ALCOHOL-TOLERANT MALOLACTIC STRAINS FOR THE MATURATION OF
WINES WITH AVERAGE OR HIGH PH

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.